

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS: Jerusalem Marketplace: Registration is open! VBS is June 20th-24th from 9:15am-11:30am at our Russell Road location! Children who are rising Kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome to participate. Big kids and teens 6th-12th grade are welcome to volunteer. If you'd like to register today, buy a CD or digital download card of the VBS music for \$5, or would like to volunteer, come visit the VBS table in the Fellowship Hall after worship. Contact Erin Furgerson, Director of Children's Ministries, at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org with any questions.

Newcomer Fellowship Dinner, Saturday, June 25, 6-8pm. If you've been attending APC for one week or several months, please join us for food and fellowship. You'll have a chance to meet church officers and staff, ask questions and learn more about the ministry God is building here. You can sign up through the link sent in the APC email and posted on our website. Location details will be forthcoming.

Congregational Meeting: Sunday June 26 at 5pm in the Sanctuary. Please plan to join us for this important meeting. We will review the completion of this year's budget, and announce the budget for the new fiscal year, which starts July 1.

Next Baptism is Sunday, July 17. If you would like to have your child or children baptized, please send an email to admin@alexandriapres.org

The next Inquirers Class is July 15-16. If you are interested in membership or in gaining a deeper understanding of APC, you should attend this class. You will receive an introduction to Christianity, the PCA, and the specific vision/mission and philosophy of ministry at APC. Membership is open to all who profess faith in Christ and believe the basic teachings of the Christian faith. Attending the class does not obligate you to join the church. You can sign up through the link on the APC website and email. Questions: email inquirers@alexandriapres.org.

Summer Schedule

As we enter the summer months and transition to our new building, please be aware of the following changes:

May 29:

Simulcast (family-friendly area/cry room) in the Fellowship Hall during worship
Coffee and Fellowship after the service in the Fellowship Hall
Final date of Sunday School for all ages

June 5 through the remainder of our time at the Del Ray Baptist Building.

Simulcast (family-friendly area/cry room) in the Chapel during worship
Fellowship after the service outside on the front lawn
Sunday School on summer break
Explorers, PROTAS, and Sunday evening classes on summer break

Please note that Del Ray Baptist will be using the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings beginning June 5, so we should avoid entering the Fellowship Hall area. Families and volunteers using the nursery or Children's Church may exit the building through the door in the Children's Church Room after the service.

CHILDREN AND TEENS

Nursery registration is required and offered up to age 4. We have a limited capacity based on how many volunteers we have. Please register at the link found in the APC email. Registration is open Wednesday through Friday each week.

Children's Church Room 124, 2nd and 4th Sundays during the sermon for children ages 5-7

Children and Youth Sunday School

Children	Infants: ages 0-1 in Bunnies Room; Ages 2-3 in Tigers Room; Age 4 in Elephants Room; Grades K-1 in Lions Room; Grades 2-3 in Room 305; Grades 4-5 in Room 306
Teens	4th Floor

Sunday evening | 5-7pm

On Summer Break

Explorers Children age 5-5th grade, Fellowship Hall and classrooms. We welcome children to experience gospel living and discipleship as they build relationships with one another and with the leaders of their small groups.

Contact: Erin Furgerson at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org.

PROTAS Teens 6th-12th grade

Connect each week in community with your peers — the schedule includes games, worship, small group discussions, a short devotion at a teen level, and more. Discipleship groups are also meeting during the week. Contact: Adam LeRoy at adam.leroy@alexandriapres.org.

ADULT EDUCATION

Becoming a Welcoming Community of Believers, Led by Pastor Mike Powell, Room 302/303

This past year we have been focusing on APC's mission statement. The first sentence in our mission statement is that we are a "welcoming community of believers". What does that mean and how is it achieved in the day to day life of our church? Come join us as we explore what it looks like to be a welcoming community.

The Sermon on the Mount, Led by Elder Aaron Renenger, Room 104

The Sermon on the Mount has been called "a perfect standard for Christian life" (Augustine). It is a description of the life that all of us, imperfect though we are, can have in Christ Jesus. In the Sermon, Jesus illustrates what it looks like to fulfill his command that we love one another as Christ loves us, and He exhorts us to live that life today. Please join us for this study of Matthew, Chapters 5-7.

UNCHANGING TRUTH—CHANGING LIVES

APC is a church of sinners. It's that simple. But we are bound together by the Gospel that saves us and transforms us. The transformation is, however, a process. God isn't through with us yet. Everyone in this church is struggling with something. If you are currently struggling with greed, gossip, drugs, alcohol, sexual brokenness, eating disorders, anger, pride, etc—you are not alone. More importantly, God does not intend for you to struggle alone. That's why He made the Church. If you would like to learn how your brothers and sisters at APC might be able to encourage you, pray with you and struggle alongside you, contact Tom Holliday at the church office.

CORPORATE PRAYER IN 2022

Every Sunday, 8am—Chapel & Zoom. Praying for our Worship Service.

Second Saturday of the month, 9am—Chapel & Google Meet. Praying with our Elders for our church.

Third Saturday of the month, 11am—Chapel & Zoom. Praying with the Prayer Committee.

Fourth Sunday of the month, 5pm—Zoom. Praying with our church community.

Intercessory Prayer Team. Contact Pastor Tom Holliday for details.

May 29, 2022

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Alexandria Presbyterian Church is a welcoming community of believers, rejoicing in the gospel, transformed by its power, and responding with grateful hearts in service to our God and world. We long to taste the glory of God in such an astonishing way that the city of Alexandria will be drawn to the majesty and mercy of our great God. It is our desire that our worship will serve as an authentic model to our city of the possibilities for transformation of individuals, families and a city encountering the glory and grace of God.

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*Please, no food or drink in the Sanctuary. Silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.
A family-friendly area/cry room with a simulcast of the service is available downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.*

Holy Worship Service

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

■ **prelude** | *Serenity Novak, Worship Assistant*

■ **call to worship** | *Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor*

Psalm 78:1-4

¹Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my
mouth!

²I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,

³things that we have heard and known,
that our fathers have told us.

⁴We will not hide them from their children,
but tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.

■ **songs of praise**

By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation’s grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow’r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God’s own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

*We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We’ll walk by faith and not by sight*

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow’r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow’r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev’ry corner of the earth

By faith the mountain shall be moved
And the pow’r of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

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He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life’s fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

*He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast*

Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He’ll not let my soul be lost
His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last

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■ **prayer of adoration**

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ **scripture reading** | *Chet and Erin Hutchinson*

Romans 8:1-17

Life in the Spirit

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteousness requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God’s law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Heirs with Christ

¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

■ **farewell**

■ **prayer of blessing**

■ **congregational prayer**

■ **offertory prayer** | *Annie Boyajian*

■ **presentation of tithes and offerings** | *Adult Choir*

If You Love Me

If you love me, keep my commandments,
And I will pray the Father,
And He shall give you another Comforter,
That He may abide with you forever;

Even the Spirit of Truth.

Words: John 14:15-17a. Music: Vell Rives

■ **children’s message**

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ **sermon scripture reading**

1 John 5:13-21

That You May Know

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

¹⁶If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and God will give him life—to those who commit sins that do not lead to death. There is sin that leads to death; I do not say that one should pray for that. ¹⁷All wrongdoing is sin, but there is sin that does not lead to death.

¹⁸We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him.

¹⁹We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

²⁰And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life. ²¹Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

■ **prayer for illumination**

■ **sermon** | *Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor*

“**The Marks of a Christian**” *Sermon series: Lessons from 1 John*

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ **hymn of response**

Blessed Assurance (Trinity #693)

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation purchase of God
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

*This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long*

Perfect submission perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy whispers of love

Perfect submission all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting looking above
Filled with His goodness lost in His love

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■ **dismissal**

Leader: Let us go forth and serve our city and our world as those who love the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: We will go forth and serve our city and our world in the name of Christ.

■ **benediction**

■ **announcements** | *Rob Coit, Operations Manager*